

REMARKS

Applicants have canceled the non-elected claims without prejudice and added new claims 7-20 to round out the protection to which applicants are entitled in this application. Applicants have also made minor amendments to original claim 5. These amendments do not narrow the scope of the original claims.

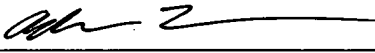
Early action allowing claims 5-20 is solicited.

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